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25X1D           Photography examined during the past week, dated [REDACTED]  
25X1D           [REDACTED] has revealed considerable construction activity on the  
southern side of the Pehling Peninsula. Descriptions of the  
activity follow.

25X1D           Ting-hai peninsula area - This region had been only partially  
covered by aerial photography before [REDACTED] Coverage of that  
date provided the first look at the southern edge of this small  
peninsula. Revealed was a newly constructed, yet empty, four-gun  
artillery emplacement. Associated with these positions are trenches,  
tents, and small buildings. This emplacement is situated on a  
ridge, accessible from the beach by a newly constructed roadway.

Just east of this emplacement, also on the southern edge of  
the small peninsula, is another road being constructed from the  
beach, westward up onto the ridge. No emplacements or defenses  
are noted.

25X1D           Huang-chi peninsula area - This region has had ample coverage  
since [REDACTED] Noted on this early photography was a roadway,  
leading from the beach, eastward up the hill to a strong-point.

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The strong-point contains a four-gun artillery position, occupied. Also found are 6 AA MG positions and 2 light AA occupied revetments. Associated are numerous trenches, and small buildings in the immediate vicinity.

25X1D      Photography of [REDACTED] has revealed an extension to the roadway previously reported in this area. It was not  
25X1D      apparent on photography dated [REDACTED] which places its  
25X1D      period of construction between [REDACTED] It consists of another roadway, leading westward from the beach end of the previous road. No defense installations are noted as yet.

25X1D      Chang-sha peninsula area - A roadway, similar in appearance to the ones just described, extends from the beach at the tip of this small peninsula up the hillside to the northeast. It was constructed between [REDACTED] At its n.e. terminus is a small strong-point consisting of trenches and a cave-type shelter.

25X1D      Just northwest of this roadway is a possible 4-gun light AA position, which has been reported as in existence since the photography of [REDACTED]

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Chiao-nan area - This region near the tip of the Pehling Peninsula is a general strong-point area. It has been reported as such since viewing the [REDACTED] photography. There are many trenches and small-arms firing emplacements located here. Also found is a possible radar site.

25X1D ~~GENERAL ACTIVITY~~  
[REDACTED] Most half-way across the peninsula, north of Changsha is located a strong-point. It consists of many trenches, small-arms firing pits, [REDACTED] West of this area is another strong-point, consisting of trenches, [REDACTED] buildings, and a 4-gun light AA emplacement.

25X1D The most recent and perhaps most significant change in the area is the construction of a well-engineered, wide roadway. At the latest date, [REDACTED] it appeared to extend E-W, from the Huang-chi area to the [REDACTED] area, with only short distances between portions of evident activity.

25X1D The road was noticed first on the [REDACTED] coverage. It was not apparent on the [REDACTED] coverage, which was the next most recent.

Several possibilities seem to exist concerning this new road paralleling the south coast of the peninsula. It is possible that the segments will connect into a single roadway to extend for a considerable E-W distance. It is also possible that each of the segments will connect to a beach-exit type road as described

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previously, and extend their range. It is possible also, of course, that a combination of both can occur. The possibility of a connection through the length of the Pehling Peninsula exists, but no evidence of such is yet visible. At this date, there is still no evidence of an ~~all~~ road, of even 3rd class, extending the length of the peninsula.

On the north edge of the Pehling Peninsula is what appears to be a roadway leading from the <sup>beach</sup>~~back~~, eastward into the interior of the peninsula. South of the roadway, and connected by trails, is a possible future strong-point site. These activities were first  
25X1D noticed on the photos of [REDACTED] but no apparent improvement of the area has resulted since then.

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